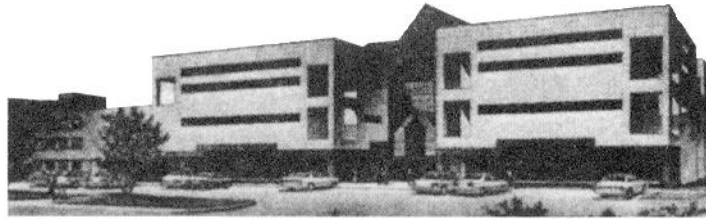




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News Release

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Update Structure Fire -Village of Waukesha

The 39 year-old-male suspect has been identified as Joel D. Murn from Las Vegas, Nevada.

The Waukesha County Sheriff's Department and City of Waukesha Police Department have arrested and charged Joel Murn with the incident's from September 2, 2020 in the City and Village of Waukesha. Murn has been charged with one count Attempt First Degree Intentional Homicide, two counts of First Degree Recklessly Endangering Safety, one count of Arson to a building and two counts of Arson other than a building.

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On Wednesday September 2, 2020, at 9:12 am, the Waukesha County Sheriff's Department and Village of Waukesha Fire Department responded to S53 W26445 Fox Vale Ct. in the Village of Waukesha for an assist EMS/ structure fire call where a 83 year-old-male was struck by vehicle operated by a 39 year-old-male, the 83 year old was transported to an area hospital for non-life threatening injures.

During the initial investigation, it was believed that a 39 year-old-male suspect had set two vehicles on fire. One vehicle was in an attached garage and the other vehicle was in the driveway. Both vehicles were extinguished by the homeowners. We believe the male suspect also set a detached workshop on fire. The workshop was extinguished by the Fire Departments. The extent of the damage to the workshop was significant.

The fire is under investigation by the Wisconsin Department of Criminal Investigation.

Mutual Aid assistance was received by the Village of Waukesha, City of Waukesha, Town of Vernon, City of New Berlin, Village of North Prairie and Wales/Genesee Fire Departments.

We believe that this was a lone actor who has been detained at this time. There is no longer a threat to the community.

The Waukesha County Sheriff's Department is working cohesively with the City of Waukesha Police Department on this ongoing investigation.

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